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College Could Receive State Beer License

by Herb Kestenbaum

Hamilton College can receive from the state a license to sell beer, according to Mr. Willis V. Dougherty, Business Manager. Dougherty emphasized, however, that such a license can be used only by the Saga Food Corporation, which would then sell beer in the PX.

The College administration has informally discussed the advisability of obtaining a beer license, according to President Robert W. McEwen. He added, however, that neither the Board of Trustees nor the student body nor the Faculty Committee on Student Activity has been contacted for further discussion.

Such a license, if obtained, might discourage students from leaving the Hill for weekend dates and thereby reduce the number of accidents caused by drunken driving. Students would have a place to take dates on the Hill if they could buy beer at the PX.

Since the Park Hotel was destroyed by fire and the Village Tavern was declared off-limits to Hamilton students, the need has increased for a place to drink. The licensed sale of beer on campus might provide for this need.

There are, however, several disadvantages. The College itself could in no way be responsible for the sale of beer. The amount of beer sold to individuals and the maintainance of order would be the responsibility of the Saga Food Corporation.

Another disadvantage is that many of the freshmen are under 18 years of age when they matriculate. If such a license is obtained, it would be difficult to avoid serving minors. Altough the Saga Food Corporation would be directly responsible, the College would be indirectly involved in a violation of a state law.

McEwen noted that in 1953, the Board of Trustees had also considered accepting a beer license for use in a proposed student union. But with the advent of total opportunity, the Trustees felt that the fraternity houses should serve as centers of social activity and that there was no need for a student union or a beer license.

Honorary Society Elects Ten Men To Hill Chapter

Ten seniors have been elected to the Phi Beta Kappa Society, Prof. C. Stanley Ogilvy, faculty advisor for the organization, announced recently.

They are Jim Arnold, Bob Chase, Jack Fraser, Jeff Haight, Doug Johnson, Steve Kittelberger, Duane Lawrence, Bill Mattern, Sandy Ratzan, and Bob Richardson.

Arnold participated in Hamilton's Junior Year in France program last year and is president of the French Club this year. He plans to do graduate work in theology.

Chase, who will study next year in Gratz, Germany, on a Fulbright scholarship, will teach German afterwards.

Fraser played lacrosse for two years at Hamilton and was president of Gryphon last year. He will attend Yale University next year to study physics.

Haight, who spent his junior year in France, has worked on the staff of the *Spectator* for three years. He recently received a Woodrow Wilson Fellowship for graduate work in history. He will study at the University of Rochester, after which he will teach history.

Johnson has been awarded a scholarship to study medicine at the Yale Medical School next year.

Kittelberger, the chairman of the Student Curriculum Committee, was the recipient of the Arnold Prize scholarship for his sophomore year. After he completes his graduate work in chemistry, he will teach in college or do research for an industrial corporation.

Lawrence, a National Merit Scholar, has received a scholarship to the Rochester Medical School. Upon completion of his study there, he will do medical missionary work overseas.

Mattern was president of his freshman class. This year he is president of the Chapel Board and a member of the Honor Court. He will attend Columbia Medical School next year.

Ratzan is a member of the Debate Club and of the Student Senate. He will also attend Columbia Medical School next year.

Richardson has been in both the Glee Club and the French Club while at Hamilton. His future plans are still indefinite.

Members of Phi Beta Kappa elected last fall are Vincent DeLuca, Louis Rosenfeld, Max Stachura, and Paul Wagner.

College Receives Auxiliary Organ For Chapel Use

An anonymous alumnus has presented the College with a new Positiff Organ, Mr. John Baldwin, Director of the Choir, announced on Wednesday.

The organ, which arrived at the College during the spring recess, will be used as an auxiliary instrument in the front of the Chapel. Baldwin said that it will also be used tonight during the concert in the Gymnasium.

Built in Bavaria, the organ is except for some aluminum parts identical to those built several centuries ago. Baldwin noted that the instrument is equipped with an electric motor for the air blower but is otherwise completely mechanical.

Newman Club

The Newman Club will meet on Thursday, Apr. 13, in the Root Art Center at 8 p.m.

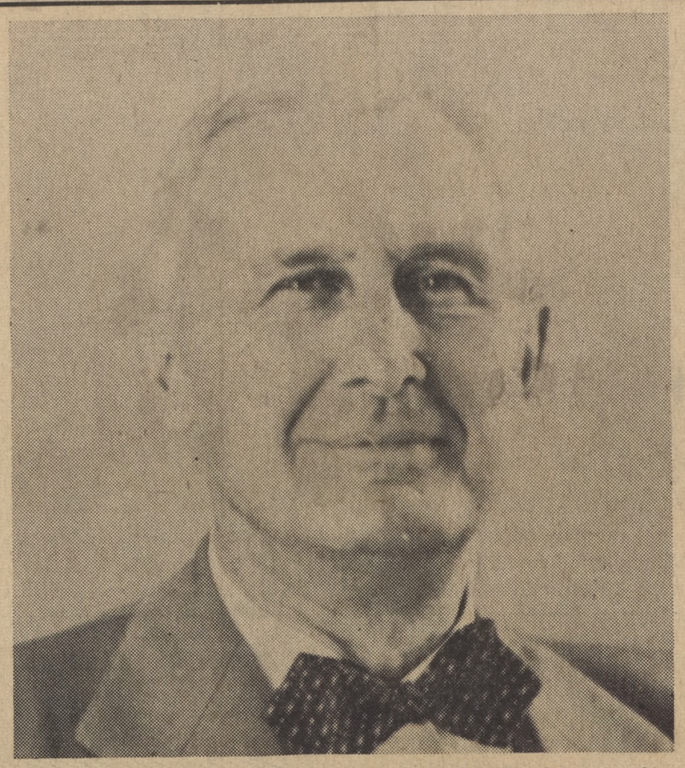
Twelve Students Seek Two Seats In Student Senate

Sandy Ratzan, chairman of the Elections Committee, announced on Wednesday the candidates for representatives at large for next year's sophomore and junior classes.

The student body will vote for these officers in Tuesday Chapel. Ratzan expects that a second run-off election will also be necessary.

The candidates for next year's sophomore representative are John Buck, Pete Goodnough, Dan Green, John Leopold, Tim Mills, and Gary Sutton.

For the junior class, the candidates are Pete Badger, Ken Kahn, Herb Kestenbaum, Steve Plant, Bill Wilt, and Sherm Souther.



HILL PROFESSOR — Pictured above is Mr. Willard B. Marsh, who died on Wednesday, Mar. 29, after a short illness. Marsh, who retired last year as Upson Professor of Rhetoric and Oratory, taught on the Hill for forty years.

Willard B. Marsh, '12, Dies at Utica, Taught Public Speaking at Hamilton

Mr. Willard B. Marsh, professor emeritus of public speaking, died on Wednesday, Mar. 29, at St. Elizabeth's Hospital, Utica, after a brief illness.

Marsh was Upson Professor of Rhetoric and Oratory for about 40 years and was chairman of the department of public speaking for 26 years. He was graduated from Hamilton in 1912.

Marsh was born on July 26, 1890, in Bridgewater, New York, a town about fifteen miles from Clinton. He attended Bridgewater Union School through his sophomore year of high school. At the suggestion of President Stryker, Marsh transferred to the Utica Free Academy in order to prepare for Hamilton.

A member of Phi Beta Kappa, Marsh was a senior drill assistant in public speaking, a McKinney Prize Speaker, a Clark Prize Orator, a member of the Choir and of the Debate Club, and business manager of the *Hamiltonian*. A recipient of the Franklin Locke Prize Fellowship for graduate study in Greek, Marsh attended graduate school in 1913 at Harvard.

In the Spring of 1913, Marsh returned to Hamilton as a professor of rhetoric and oratory. The College awarded him an honorary A.M. degree in 1915. In 1916, he resumed graduate work at Princeton, where he earned an A.M. degree.

After World War I, Marsh taught English and speech at Carroll College in Waukesha, Wisconsin, until he returned to Hamilton in 1920 as an associate professor of rhetoric and oratory.

Since his resignation last year, Marsh had been a speech instructor at Utica College.

Hill Student Wins Fulbright Award; To Study German

The Fulbright Foundation has awarded a scholarship for graduate study to Robert Chase, according to Prof. John S. Gambs liason officer for the Foundation.

The grant provides full payment of tuition and living expenses for one year of graduate study in Europe. Chase will travel to Gratz, Germany to continue his work in German.

Gambs noted that since the scholarship was established in 1946, at least one Hamilton student has received an award each year with one exception. Some 800 grants were made throughout the country.

Student Reviews 'Continental'

—*by* Dick Blessing

The winter issue of the *Continental* seems to a not-very-critical critic to be greatly improved from cover to *Farewell*. The cover, cleverly disguised as a thermometer, on closer inspection proves to be reading exactly 2.9°.

As Editor Robards points out in his *Editorial*, the twelve students who contributed to the *Continental* represent 2.9% of the student body. A coincidence? Not on your life. A bit esoteric perhaps (I'll bet you didn't think of *your*self as the vacuum above the mercury in the *Continental* thermometer), but good use of symbolism nonetheless. In fact, the cover design is easily worth the five hundred and some words Robards uses in his editorial.

While his point that many Hamilton students are apathetic is unquestionably valid, his way of making it is not especially sound. Stuart is too much of an individual and not enough of an abstraction to function as a symbol for the "large portion of the remaining 97.1% . . . who represesnt apathy at Hamilton College." The empty space within a glass thermometer strikes me as a much more interesting — and accurate — symbol of apathy than does Stuart.

John Fredenburg's *Somewhat of a Sad Perplexity* lacks polish, and his use of the airplane beacon as a symbol is sometimes heavy and clumsy, but the thought that he expresses will be echoed by many of his readers. In short, Fredenburg shows himself to have a sensitivity which could lead to some very fine writing as his style improves. It is my hope that Fredenburg will some day write a sequal to *Somewhat of a Sad Perplexity*, and that when he does, it will be for the *Continental*.

Thoughts by a Fireside by Eric Sundell is well done. Some of its lines are very pleasing (The willow branch was lost / The living and the dead / Have lost) and seem almost Eliot-like in the beauty of their language. The realization and acceptance of death is not a new theme for poetry, but Sundell handles it better than most, and his imagery is by no means hackneyed. All in all, *Thoughts by a Fireside* is sound, though not especially inspired writing.

February Rain by Horace Underwood is not especially sound or inspired. This is the easiest sort of poetry to write for it has no rhyme, no meter, and no true beauty of language. In fact, except for the refrain, *February Rain* might as well have been written in prose. A line such as "A warm cool wind (whatever that is) will *lull* all awake" is extending poetic license a bit far. The real message of the poem—repeated four times—is "I long for spring." Ah, Horace, don't we all?

Fine Writing

Phoenix by Dan Dietrich is an exceptionally fine bit of writing, the sort of thing that makes this *Continental* better than many of its predecessors. There is a poignant quality to *Phoenix* that makes it memorable, a lyricism that gives it beauty, and a sincerity of sentiment that manages to avoid sentimentality.

The poet foresees that "the years that would bind (the boy) / In emptiness to old laughter," could warn him, but chooses not to be warned. "Because of the night you came . . . I let him ride past me to try." *Phoenix* is, in my opinion, the best writing in the *Continental*. Dietrich has talent.

November 1960 does not have the same quality. Where *Phoenix* softly suggests an old love and an ever-new cycle, Dietrich's second poem is a very personal experience. As such, it is quite obscure to the reader, although it does create a mood and some of the imagery is quite effective. It is simply not as far-reaching as *Phoenix*.

Hardness by John Towle is well written. I see no reason for using the Spanish word for river, especially since, where the word *rio* is likely to be used, the *rio* is likely not to be frozen. Despite the affectation of using one unnecessary foreign word, Towle has an unusual idea, and he handles it in an unusual way. But completion of a foreign language requirement is sometimes a disadvantage.

Lonliness

Football Games and Autumn Saturdays leaves little to be said. Billy Farnsworth is a Prufrock-type little tyke whose father can't play football. True, loneliness in childhood is a pitiful thing, one worthy of our sympathy, but somehow Billy Farnsworth doesn't come true—doesn't make us sympathetic.

I would suggest that Henry Allen leave more to the reader's imagination; instead of spelling out for us that "No one had noticed and no one cared," he should simply report the external facts, and let the reader develop his own emotions. Statements like "He would walk home now all alone" are obvious labels, telling the reader "Feel sorry for this kid."

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Moore Wins Senate Election; Plans Future Reorganization

Jack Moore has been elected president of next year's Student Senate, according to an announcement made by Sandy Ratzan, chairman of the Elections Committee. Ratzan also announced the elections of Wes Oler and Hank Drewal as presidents of the junior and sophomore classes.

Moore, a Chi Psi, is a member of Was Los and will be co-captain of the basketball team next year. He was also a member of DT and was vice-president of his freshman class.

Moore told the *Spectator* that, as soon as he becomes acquainted with the workings of the Senate, he hopes to begin the reorganization which he proposed during his campaign.

He explained that, before the Senate can take a greater part in running student affairs, it must earn the respect and support of the student body. He plans to accomplish this by making the Senate a more representative body in which all house presidents will be voting members.

Moore noted that these men have the respect of their houses and that their decisions would carry more weight than those of present house representatives.

The new president wants to conduct the election of the Rushing Committee in the same way as that of the Honor Court. He also proposes to have the chairman of the Rushing Committee, the editor-in-chief of the *Spectator*, and the chairman of the Chapel Board and of the Student Curriculum Committee as members of the Senate.

Oler, a member of Gryphon, is presently secretary-treasurer of the sophomore class. In high school he was co-captain of the tennis team and a member of the student council.

Drewal, an Emersonian pledge, is a member of the Freshman Council and of the squash and tennis teams. In high school he was president and treasurer of the student council and a member of the track and tennis teams.

Hill Debate Club To Send Teams To Two Contests

Hamilton's Debate team will travel to New York on Saturday, Apr. 2, for a debate with New York University. The topic will be: *Resolved, that the United States should adopt a program of compulsory health insurance for all citizens.*

Hamilton's team will consist of Paul McDermott and Russ Bantham for the affirmative, and Jack Zulack and Rick Langstaff for the negative.

On the same day, a freshman team consisting of Bob Collings for the affirmative and Jim Gifford and Paul Anderson for the negative will travel to Cortland for a debate tournament. The Hamilton team won this tournament last year.

Dean Announces Winner, Alternate Of Travel Grant

Frank Denton has received the Watsonian Travel Grant for this year, and Russell Bantham has been selected as the alternate recipient, Dean Winton Tolles announced in Chapel on Tuesday.

Denton will spend eight weeks traveling in England and Scotland this summer. After arriving in England in the middle of June, he will spend several weeks living at the homes of alumni of George Watson College. He will also visit the College in Edinburgh, Scotland.

Denton was selected from those upperclassmen who applied as the man who would best represent Hamilton and the United States abroad and who would benefit most from the travel. Freshmen were not considered because the College felt that a student who had attended college for two or three years would better fulfill the requirements.

George Watson College awarded the grant in recognition of Hamilton's participation in the Watsonian Scholarship program. Each year since 1955, Hamilton has had in residence a graduate of the George Watson School. This year's student is Richard Jones.

Phil Hineline received the Watsonian Grant last year.

College Recorder Dies Unexpectedly

Mrs. Maleska Robinson, a member of the recording staff of the College, died suddenly of a cerebral hemorrhage on Mar. 17.

A recorder for the past 12 years, Mrs. Robinson was attending a registrar's meeting in Albany at the time of her death.

Choir To Present 'Coronation Mass,' Other Selections

The Hamilton College Choir will present its annual spring concert tonight at 8:30 in the Gymnasium. It will perform with the Women's Glee Club of the University of Rochester.

The combined groups will open the program with the *Coronation Mass* by Mozart. A 35-piece orchestra composed of professional musicians from various symphony orchestras throughout the state will accompany the two groups. Four soloists from the Eastman School of Music at Rochester will also participate.

During the second half of the concert, each group will perform individual selections.

The Glee Club arrived on the Hill this afternoon and participated in a joint rehearsal before eating dinner in the Hall of Commons.

Admission to the concert will be free and is open to the entire College community. An offering will be taken during intermission.

Jazz Singer To Perform On Campus Tomorrow

Dakota Staton and her trio will provide the musical entertainment for this year's Jazz Concert Weekend, Bruce Sawyer, chairman of the Social Committee announced on Tuesday. Miss Staton, who sings blues and jazz numbers, will perform at Sigma Phi from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. tomorrow.

Miss Staton was born in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, in 1931, and at the age of seven began her career singing with her two sisters. After the trio was dissolved, she attended high school during the day, and sang at Pittsburgh night clubs on evenings.

Since then she has appeared at Carnegie Hall and Basin Street East in New York City, the New Frontier Hotel in Las Vegas, the Celebrity Room in Philadelphia, the Crescendo Club in Hollywood and the Newport Jazz Festival in Newport, Rhode Island.

After securing a contract with Capitol Records, Miss Staton recorded her first two hits, *What D'you Know about Love* and *You Are My Heart's Delight*. During that same year she received the Down Beat award naming her the most promising newcomer of the year.

In addition to the Jazz Concert tomorrow, the University of Rochester Women's Glee Club and the Hamilton College Choir will present a joint concert tonight at 8:30 p.m. in the Gymnasium. Mr. John Baldwin, director of Hamilton's Choir, will direct the combined choirs in Mozart's *Coronation Mass*.

The Social Committee lists no other events for the weekend, but individual fraternities have scheduled parties for Saturday night.

Kinokunst

Kinokunst will present an Italian film, *Paisan*, tonight and tomorrow night in the Chemistry auditorium at 8 p.m. Admission will be 50 cents.

RECENT CONCERT — The Ohio State Men's Glee Club sings at Hamilton in a concert given on Sunday, Mar. 19. The group, which consists of 40 men and a girl, specializes in singing light, modern music.

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Defending Fraternities —

Several weeks ago, the Alumni Interfraternity Council met with undergraduates to prepare for President McEwen a report defending the fraternity system at Hamilton. After two hours of discussion, the group had not yet selected the arguments with which to defend fraternities, and indeed one undergraduate doubted that they could be defended. The *Spectator* disagrees with him and presents below several possible defenses.

One problem discussed at length during the meeting was the degree to which fraternities interfere with the College's academic aims. Without doubt many undergraduates spend time at fraternity bridge tables and television sets which they should spend studying. Devotion to bridge and television, however, are characteristic not of the fraternity system but of college students, and at schools where no fraternities exist many students still play bridge or watch television to the detriment of their studies. Thus, although fraternities do provide individuals with facilities which can interrupt their studies, most students who use such facilities would probably find them elsewhere if fraternities did not exist. This problem of individuals' wasting time at a fraternity cannot be solved by eliminating fraternities and ought not to be considered in the report now being prepared. A more important problem is whether group activities of fraternities, such as rushing and pledge training, interfere with the College's academic life.

Under the Initiation Week Rules recently adopted by the Student Senate, pledge training can in no way interfere with studies. Fraternities at Hamilton have traditionally reserved extensive pledging activities for the few days immediately preceeding initiation. Last year such activities sometimes took place before the 24-hour initiation period at times when classes were in session. But under the new rules, since the formal initiation period is long enough for all pledging activities to take place within it and since it is scheduled for a time when no classes are in session, no interference with studies will occur.

Similarly last year, the College community witnessed the great degree to which rushing can ruin studies. But, since the Senate this year adopted and enforced a system of deferred rushing which completely separated rushing and classes, we have seen that rushing need not prevent studying. Indeed, if properly scheduled and controlled, as they have been this year, group activities of fraternities will not interfere with academic work of students.

The above arguments defend the fraternity system against the accusation that it interferes with academic work. But such a defense is essentially negative, and, to justify the existence of fraternities, a positive defense is needed.

Fraternities, according to the alumni group, "complement the educational facilities of the College by providing undergraduates with opportunities to gain social experience and develop traits of leadership and responsibility." Several years ago, one might have objected to such a defense of the system, since fraternities then extended bids only to those men who to some degree at least already possessed the above qualities and excluded from membership those who most needed to develop them. The adoption of total opportunity rushing, however, makes at least seven of the eleven fraternities on the Hill safe from such an objection.

Indeed total opportunity is one of the best possible defenses of the fraternity system. For, since Hamilton's purpose is education, fraternities, if they are to be defended, must provide some sort of education. Under the traditional system of free bidding and pledging, there could be some doubt that those students who received bids needed the education which a fraternity offered them. Probably they already possessed it. But under total opportunity — especially under the workable total opportunity system which the *Spectator* hopes Hamilton will soon achieve — there can be no doubt that those students most in need of that part of a Hamilton education which the fraternity system offers will receive it. We feel sure that the Alumni Interfraternity Council recognizes this and will point it out in its defense of the fraternity system.

Reject License —

Should the College obtain for use in either the PX or a rathskeller the beer license which was recently offered it? The answer to this question probably depends on the way in which students would use beer if it were available. Unfortunately, the *Spectator* fears that too many students would drink too much. They would not go to the PX for one or two beers; rather they would go with the intention of remaining there and drinking for the whole night.

The student body must realize that the College will not and indeed should not maintain an establishment for students wanting to get drunk. The opening of a bar would directly contradict the primary purpose of the College — education; moreover, the College's reputation could only suffer from its maintaining a bar for its students.

In addition, serving beer at the PX or at a rathskeller would create serious problems. One such problem, assuming that some of those at a bar might have drunk too much, would be keeping order and preventing destruction. The members of the PX's present staff are too few to maintain order and still perform their present duties. To expect a student bartender to maintain order would be to seek trouble.

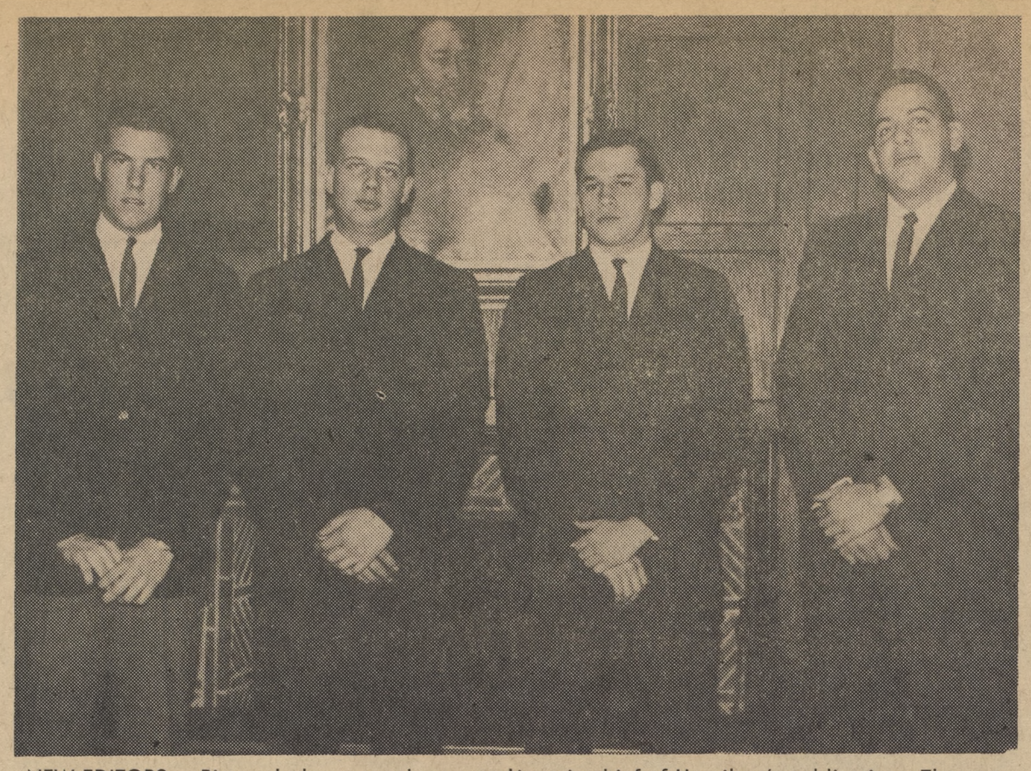
Most likely the College would find it necessary to hire a full-time bartender. But such a man must be paid, and the average number of students who in past years used to go drinking downtown would probably not provide enough business to support such a bartender. Either the College would have to lose money on the beer being sold, or the number of students drinking beer would have to be increased. Both of these solutions are, from the point of view of the good of the College, extremely poor.

The presence of freshmen on campus would also create a problem if the beer license were obtained, for many freshmen during their first semester at Hamilton are underage and thus could not legally buy beer. They, of course, could not use a rathskeller.

Those freshmen who could use it, however, might find it an excellent place in which to meet upperclass fraternity men. This year the College community witnessed "PX shifts," which were not, however, effective enough to merit their being used by more than a few houses. But with beer providing a fine atmosphere for rushing, every house might find it essential to maintain nightly in the PX or rathskeller a small committee of rushers. This could interfere greatly with studies.

Yet the chief reason for opposing a beer license at Hamilton is still the fear that too many students would drink too much. We believe that this fear has a sound basis and for this reason urge the College to reject the license. Still there can be no doubt that, if the student body would use the PX or a rathskeller as a place to drink one or two beers and not as a place to get drunk, a beer license could do much good and little harm.

Maybe some student can prove that our fear is groundless. If so, we urge him to present his evidence to the College community.



NEW EDITORS — Pictured above are the new editors-in-chief of Hamilton's publications. They are (from left to right) Bill Nelson, "Spectator"; Pete Crumb, "Hamiltonian"; Skip Granville, business manager of publications; and Mike Kaiser, "Continental".

Student Urges Hill To Consider Vital National, World Subjects

To the Editor:

This is a politically dead campus! How many students read and think of more than what is in their assigned work, *Sports Illustrated* and the news headlines? If they have political views do they discuss them or act upon them?

During the election campaign this fall I attended a meeting of the campus Young Democrats; the main order of business seemed to be a discussion of all the girls they hoped to meet at a Young Democrat Ball in Utica and what a big blast they were going to have. They have ignored the challenge for a debate with the Young Republicans and didn't give much thought to what they could do to help in the election campaign. It also seemed to me that the compulsory student-faculty panel discussion of the campaign issues was not taken very seriously by many of the students.

Other colleges such as Amherst, Haverford, and Swarthmore have active student organizations which discuss and act upon major domestic and international issues. Petitions and demonstrations against the House Un-American Activities Committee is old stuff for many of these colleges. How many Hamilton students until just recently were aware of the Committee and its activities?

Other campuses have been actively involved with the problems of civil rights. True there was a picket of Woolworth's in Utica organized by Hamilton students last year, but is there any continued organized discussion or action on desegregation and other "civil rights" problems? What about organized discussion and action groups on the issues of disarmament, research for germ warfare, our relations with Russia?

Last year we had a weekend African Seminar. This is encouraging, but is there anything similar being done this year? Many colleges have annual weekend seminars or institutes devoted to a specific area or problem. This November the University of Rochester Student Government arranged a weekend institute devoted to Russia. Russian art was exhibited, experts came to talk on Russian art, literature and politics. The Yale Russian Chorus came and sang. A few weeks ago Skidmore College held a weekend seminar on Latin America.

When we do get a good lecturer, how many students attend? How interested are students in the lecture program? Perhaps the program is not attractive to the students because they have nothing to do with the selection of the speakers. It seems that the choice of lecturers by default is left to a faculty committee headed by Professor Yourtee.

Many colleges have chapters of the National Student Association which endeavors to keep students informed of student activities and concerns on campuses all over the world. Why not have a chapter here at Hamilton?

Disregarding national and international politics, how many students concern themselves with campus or fraternity affairs? Is it meeting democratic responsibility when it takes 30 votes out of a class of 50 to elect a class president? How many students read the Student Senate minutes or are willing to run for office? Hopefully the new Student Senate will exercise some of its energies toward creating a more politically aware and active campus.

It seems that many students here think that idealism is a big joke; they seem to neglect the fact that this nation was founded upon the idealism of men like Thomas Paine and Thomas Jefferson. The ideals of democracy put forth by these and other men are what the atomic bombs and Nike missiles and American lives are supposed to defend. We are supposedly trying to preserve a process. Can we maintain this "government of the people, by the people, for the people" if we are all not politically knowledgeable and actively involved in pursuing what we think is right?

Robert B. Rockwell

Colgate Students, Hill Department To Exchange Art

The departments of art of Hamilton and of Colgate University are sponsoring an exchange of students' works which will continue through May 7, Mr. James Penney, associate professor of art, announced recently.

The works of Colgate students are currently on display in the downstairs student gallery of the Root Art Center. Hamilton's contributions to the exchange are now being exhibited in the student lounge in Colgate's library.

A $25 prize will be given by each art department for the best individual works in the exhibits. More than 50 individual paintings from each school are on display.

According to Penney, each student was permitted only three contributions in order to achieve a representative collection of the achievements of each school.

IRC

The IRC elected Doug Wheeler as its next president at its meeting on Mar. 20. The group also elected George Keyes as vice president and Andy Kepler as secretary.

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by Bruce Moulton

There was a young mermaid of Kiel
Who married a bachelor seal,
The Seal was obese
Though she was a piece —
She married for wealth, not appeal.
—Amherst Literary Magazine

We were glancing through the *USSR* on the library magazine rack not long ago and came upon an article about newly-weds and the perfect life back in the Republics. The following are picture captions taken from the article: "This nice young couple, Valya and Igor Kamishkirtsev, were married in June. They both work at the Likchachev Automobile Plant in Moscow. (Yes, true love *can* find expression in a machined tool factory.) — The prize gift at their wedding party was a key to a newly built apartment. It is customary for Soviet factories to give newlyweds priority in housing.

"Valya (Vassar '57) is an engineer in the plant's experimental laboratory. Her field is metal ceramics. Igor (RPI '56) has been doing shop work since he left high school. (Kept him one step ahead of the draft.) — Valya likes swimming, Igor doesn't — the reason for their first quarrel. It taught them that both partners have to work at making a happy marriage. (Work for the greater glory of Socialism !) — Igor helps with dishwashing and cleaning. It's not that he likes chores; he likes doing things with Valya.

"Saturdays they'll go to an art show or drop in at the club where there is usually something interesting going on. (Orgy-porgy?) — Igor says he has to work hard to keep up with his wife. (Dodging ceramics.) He studies evenings at the Automechanical Institute. — They are both glad that Igor's parents live close by for advice, understanding, and help when it's needed."

From the *Colgate Maroon* — "Dean of Students, William F. Griffith, reported disciplinary action taken against a senior involved in conduct unbecoming a Colgate man in a neighboring community. It involved a fight in which the victim's jaw was broken."

The Trinity Tripod **reported that "Grinnell College senate presidential candidate Ted Moss announced in Grinnell's** Scarlet and Black **that his campaign will advocate absolute celibacy on campus. 'The removal of temptation,' said Moss, 'will achieve the morality designed for us by our founding fathers.' "**

From a column in the *Spectrum* of University of Buffalo entitled "Social Swirl" — "With the coming of spring, plans are already afoot to build floats, plan parties for such events as Moving Up Day and IFC Ball, and in general make the spring semester a really great time . . . The important thing, we would guess, would be to balance this full social life with at least a smattering of scholastic activity. Let's face it, you can't get a job or a degree with a beer mug or a hangover."

Then in a review of the University of Buffalo's athletics during the last six years we read that, "Possibly the greatest blow was experienced over the weekend of March 5 when the current basketball team — with a season mark of 18-5 and a convincing win over Rochester's five — learned that they did not receive a bid to the NCAA tournament. Time dulls the vibrant impact of these happenings, yet may not erase the memories." A picture of "The Buffalo Brain Trust" shows the football coaching staff at spring training. None were included in the Kennedy cabinet.

From the Williams Record — **"At Wesleyan two weeks ago, 'Operation Abolition' encountered what the head of the Connecticut Anti-Communist Committee called the 'worst' reception of its somewhat stormy career. Wesmen, apparently believing that mockery is all the Committee deserves, appeared waving American flags and carrying placards reading 'Fulton (Lewis III, the film's narrator) For God,' 'If it's Red, Investigate It,' and 'Birth Control is Un-American.' Chaos reigned as students sang, made speeches, raised cheers for motherhood and Christman, placed a large bomb and a wreath on the stage, acted out a gun fight, and converted pamphlets into 'U-2 planes.' The film itself was melodramatically hissed and cheered at appropriate intervals."**

Miscellaneous — A group of Williams' freshmen asked that the library be kept open Saturday nights for "an expenditure of the evening in a more profitable way than the usual Saturday night 'shows'." Holyoke girls are no longer required to take a semester course in hygiene.

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TAPPING CEREMONY — Pictured above is Al Howard as he is being tapped by Was Los, the junior honorary society, after Tuesday Chapel. Howard, a member of Delta Kappa Epsilon, is the sophomore representative to the Honor Court.

Was Los Youngest Society on Hill

Was Los, the junior class honorary society, is the youngest of three honorary societies at Hamilton College.

Founded in 1916, when Pentagon and D.T. were establishehd organizations, Was Los did not merit a picture in the *Hamiltonian* until 1922; in that year selection, according to the year book, was based on "general merit regardless of fraternity affiliations."

The predecessor of Was Los was a comparatively informal organization known as the Thursday Afternoon Club, which was in many ways similar to Nous Ounze, presently a social organization of seniors.

Members of Was Los were originally singled out by "dressing up in queer costumes on Moving Up Day," according to an account in the *Hamiltonian*. The official badge of the society was "a small gold triangle worn as a charm."

During its 45 years of existence, Was Los has gained various duties; today it is perhaps the busiest of the honorary societies. Members of Was Los serve as ushers in Sunday chapel and at commencement, conduct the annual Red Cross Blood Drive, serve as a Hamilton College fire department, and operate the College's fire engine.

The tapping ceremony of Was Los is perhaps the most colorful of any of the honorary societies. New members are selected individually after Tuesday assemblies in the Spring and are tossed and trampled by the six members of the society.

Mystery apparently shrouds several of the rituals of Was Los. The German phrase uttered during the tapping ceremony, "Was is los is nicht eingebunden," apparently has no standard idiomatic translation for the organization. Its significance is either secret or has been forgotten by society members. An intense study of college records would be needed to determine the origin of this chant.

Present members of Was Los are Phil Hineline, Gary Ferraro, Jack Moore, Nevett Steele, John Nichols, and Ron Stone.

Lacrosse Team Holds Scrimmage Against Oberlin

Hamilton's lacrosse team held its first outdoor practice this season when it scrimmaged against the Oberlin College Cardinals on Tuesday. Oberlin is rated one of the top teams in the Midwest and is favored along with Cortland and Dennison to take the Northwest "B" title. Hamilton was defeated by a score of 13 - 4.

Rod Ramsey, Joe Schoonover, and Steve Holden led the Continentals. Ramsey, the leading scorer on last year's squad, scored two goals, whereas Schoonover and Holden each scored one.

The team had practiced in the Sage Building until Tuesday and lacked the experience of playing outdoors. Coach Manfred von Schiller was pleased with the performance of the team at this early time, but he noted the general lack of conditioning.

Two weeks remain before the team opens its season against Cortland. The present starting lineup consists of Schoonover, Ramsey, and Nevett Steele at attack, and Holden, Hack Bushweller, and either Harvey Singer or Jack Zeis at midfield.

Gary Mahood, Tag Adams and Bob Job will tend the goal. With the exception of Adams, a sophomore, all starting players are lettermen.

Hamilton Nine To Open Season with Rochester

Hamilton's baseball squad moved outdoors last Tuesday following Spring recess. The 22-man squad includes ten veterans of last year's club.

With the exception of the shortstop position, the infield presently consists of last year's regulars. Al Ahrens, the leading hitter on the team, will again be at first base. Pat McDonnell and Bob Miller, both juniors, are presently vying for the starting assignment at secocnd base. Freshman Don Burns, the only newcomer in the infield, is currently the leading candidate for the shortstop position.

Pete Lindley, who played short last year, has moved back to third base, which is his natural position. Lindley worked out during Spring vacation at the Philadelphia Phillies' training camp in Clearwater, Florida. Lindley and Ahrens were the top home run hitters last year with three and four respectively.

John Sullivan, who will probably be the starting catcher, is backed up by freshman Rick Langstaff and senior Dick Blessing. Blessing also heads the veteran mound corps which includes John Soffey and Frank Sachs, both veterans of last year's team. Other pitching candidates are freshman Don Sweeney and sophomores John Conroy and Bob Joseph.

Lettermen Tim Gow and Doug Kirkpatrick are likely starters in the outfield, but the third outfield position is still open at this time.

The Continentals will open the season on April 21 at the University of Rochester. Coach Don Smith of Rochester has several top performers returning from last year's club, which defeated Hamilton by scores of 22 - 15 and 8 - 0. Returning will be catcher Fran Caravaglio, shortstop Ron Forte, Joe Walsh, and pitcher Jim Case.

The schedule for 1961 is as follows: Apr. 21, Hamilton at Rochester; Apr. 22, Hamilton at Hobart; Apr. 26, Union at Hamilton; Apr. 29, Stevens at Hamilton; May 3, Hamilton at Union; May 6, RPI at Hamilton; May 8, Rochester at Hamilton; May 13, Hobart at Hamilton; May 15, Hamilton at Colgate; and May 18, Utica at Hamilton.

Track Team Shows Continued Strength

Hamilton's track team, winner of the New York State Championship meet last year, begins the coming season with another powerful squad.

The Continentals are well prepared in all the running events except the low hurdles and possibly the mile. Although Hamilton must compensate for the loss of Doc Jordon, who tied the school records in both the 100 and the 220, Co-captain Deming Payne and Ed Taft, last year's number two and three men in the dash, are both back to take Jordon's place. Ulreich Schaub, a special studednt, has performed excellently in indoor workouts, as has Jake Frohn, another special student.

Coach Gene Long feels that the team has by far the greatest depth in the 440. Chick Vincent, outstanding in the quarter mile last year, has been graduated, but Long can rely on senior Bob Brown, who finished fourh in last year's State meet, and on junior Hal von Brockdorf, who ran the half mile in most meets last year. von Brockdorf has been outstanding in winter workouts and has run a leg on a relay in 49.8. Senior George Paul, who has shown much improvement this year, and freshmen Ham and Holmes Brown will provide additional strength in the quarter mile.

The top man in the 880 is co-captain Howie Wilcox, who broke 2:00 last year and has been running well this year. Von Brockdorff, also below the two-minute mark, will run this event occasionally. Art. Schwab, Bill Graves and Dave Devereaux have also shown promise in the 880.

Cross-country star John McMartin, who will also run the 880, is the only solid performer in the mile at present. Sophomore Walt Pritchard, who did not run last year, is an unknown quantity, but has been impressive in pre-season workouts. Phil Hineline will also run the mile in some meets.

The Continentals have no problems in the two-mile run. Hineline has performed well so far this year, and Bill Morgan and Greg Harms will provide fine depth in the event.

The high hurdles should be another strong point. Sophomore Lanie Eagleton broke the field house record while finishing second in the Union Invitational, and junior Norm Boggs has also been outstanding in winter competition. Freshman Pete Bowles has shown good potential.

Steve Cooney will probably be top man in the low hurdles. The other candidates—freshman Bill Cleveland and Dom Pallota—are untested at present.

The mile relay team will be strong because of the depth in the 440. The Buff and Blue would have set a new record at the Union Invitational if officials had not miscounted the laps.

The field events do not show the depth enjoyed by the Continentals in the cinder events. Jay Welsh, Jack Messersmith, and Marty Linihan gave the team strength in the shot put, in which Welsh has a good chance to break the school record.

In the discus, however, Long feels that the team has a glaring weakness. At present there is a complete lack of capable performers for this event.

Bill Anstine, who tied for first in last year's state met, and Boggs are the top high jumpers, and freshmen Pete Lendrum and Don McCouch have also displayed promise. Hamilton's strength in the broad jump comes from sprinters Taft, Deming Payne, Schaub, and Frohn.

Cooney, holder of the school record in the pole vault, is the Continentals' sole veteran performer in the event. Bowles is the only other pole vaulter who has shown ability thus far. Two veterans—Payne and Dave Rising—should provide points in the javelin.

Three Lettermen Return To Bolster Hill Tennis Team

With only three lettermen returning from last year's tennis team, which posted a 7 - 1 record, Coach Mox Weber is pessimistic about the prospects for this year.

Lost through graduation were co-captains Hadley Roe and Butch Logan. Marshall Field and Ollie Easterwood are ineligible

Last year's top player, sophomore John Reilly, will again lead the Continentals. Captain Don Epstein and junior Mike Kaiser are the other returning lettermen.

The leading freshmen players are Ron Ungerer and Hank Drewal. Stan Shorb, a junior who played last year, is also on the team.

The Continentals will open their season on Apr. 22, when they will travel to Ithaca College. The first home match will be on Tuesday, Apr. 25, when the Continentals host Union.

Golf Team Begins Spring Schedule Against Rochester

After a successful season last fall, Hamilton's golf team, coached by Don Jones, has begun practice for the spring schedule. The team hopes to begin playing on the Hamilton B. Tompkins Course as soon as possible. The first match is Apr. 21 against Rochester.

Last fall a four-man team from Hamilton finished second behind Navy at the Eastern Collegiate Athletic Conference tournament. After winning the northern division title the preceding week, the Continentals lost to Navy by only three points.

Returning lettermen are Frank Hamilton, a junior, and Carl Hayden and Jon Sheeser, both sophomores. Leon Kantor, a freshman who won the New York State junior championship last year, will add depth to the squad.

Jones expects that the stiffest competition will come from the Rochester and Syracuse teams.

The Hot Corner

by Marty Linihan

With another spring sports season about to arrive, Hill teams are now beginning outdoor practices.

Gene Long, the track coach, believes that, on the basis of this year's indoor season, the results of last year's season, and the number of returning lettermen, the top contenders in the state meet will be Alfred, Cortland, and Hamilton. Union, R.P.I., and Rochester — perennial favorites in the state meet — are, according to Long, apparently in rebuilding years.

The Hill team, according to Long, lacks depth in the field events, the mile, and the low hurdles, but he considers the other running events fairly well balanced.

The lacrosse team has also moved outdoors, and Coach Manfred von Schiller is anticipating a tough season. Last year's team, which won two games and lost four, had a good defense but a weak offense. This year, according to von Schiller, the defense needs more work than the offense.

Cortland, says von Schiller, will probably be the team's toughest opponent, since it was ranked second in the northwest B-division by the *Lacrosse Newsletter*, a pre-season poll of coaches and sports writers. The Hill team plays Cortland on April 22 in its first game of the season.

The baseball team moved outdoors from the gymnasium on Wednesday. Although it is difficult to predict the results of the season this early, Coach Greg Batt looks to a fairly good nucleus to provide a respectable team. The team will scrimmage with the Mohawk Valley Technical Institute on April 15.

Colgate's baseball team, which has been playing Hamilton since 1886, has 11 returning lettermen. Coach Frank O'Hora thinks his team might be lucky enough to win as many as 20 of its 26 games this season if his pitchers perform as expected. The Red Raiders beat Hamilton last year by a score of 12-3 and will meet the Hill ball club at Colgate on May 15.

Hobart's baseball team, with a solid nucleus of at least eight and possibly eleven lettermen, has a new coach, Albert Antinelli, a former professional baseball pitcher.

Jim Case, a six-foot five-inch, 220-pound right hander, is considered to be the big man on Rochester's baseball team this spring. Rochester comes to Clinton on May 8.

Congratulations to Warren Palmer, who received honorable mention on the 1961 College Little All-America Team of the Associated Press. Over 100 sports writers and radio-TV broadcasters gave honorable mention to Palmer, Mike Berger of Rochester, and Dick Kraft of Brockport.

Utica will be the site of the 1962 NCAA Hockey Championship. The event, co-sponsored by Colgate and Hamilton, will occur March 15-17.

Congratulations to ADP, champions of intramural basketball. AD beat Southwest Dunham in the championship playoff before vacation. Pete Lindley with 16 points sparked AD from a two point lead at the half to a 38-21 win.

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Lack of Motivation, Maladjustment Reasons for High Rate of Attrition

—*by* JEFF HAIGHT

Over the past ten years, about 75 percent of the students at Hamilton have been graduated with the class in which they entered as freshmen. This figure has risen slowly but perceptively, and should be close to 80 percent for the sesquicentennial class next year. Yet between 20 and 25 percent of the men who enter Hamilton do not receive degrees. What are the causes of this drop-out?

According to Dean Winton Tolles, about half of these men leave Hamilton for good and sufficient reasons. Some decide they can get the type of education that they want elsewhere; others leave early to enter professional schools. A few students leave for health, financial, or sound personal reasons. Tolles noted that only between ten and 15 percent of the men in an entering class leave the College for academic reasons.

Higher Rate

Swarthmore College has an attrition rate slightly higher than that of Hamilton. The student newspaper there recently published two articles, in which poor faculty counseling and the academic overload, particularly in the freshman year, were given as reasons for academic failure.

The first of these reasons does not apply at Hamilton. Faculty advisors, according to Tolles, use college board scores and secondary school records to judge a student's ability, and are careful to steer him away from overly difficult course combinations, such as two foreign languages or too many laboratory sciences.

"All guidance done with large numbers of individuals is bound to be uneven," Tolles said. A student who finds himself in trouble in several courses may claim that he was poorly advised, but in almost every case, Tolles noted, his aptitude tests and expressed personal interests indicated that he should be taking these courses.

Academic Trouble

Most academic trouble does occur in the first two years, and in required courses. About ten percent of all entering freshmen fail English Composition 11-12; 12 to 15 percent fail mathematics; five to ten percent fail language courses. But these statistics do not indicate that freshmen suffer from "academic overload," for Hamilton admits only students capable of meeting its academic requirements.

"Practically no student is admitted to Hamilton College who is not equipped by intelligence and preparation to do the work," Tolles said. "Almost all failures may be attributed essentially to maladjustments of the student."

These maladjustments may be inability to adapt to the freedom of college life and to the self-discipline required for college work, a weakness for diversions from academic work, or a lack of motivation.

Lack of motivation is the chief problem of students who cannot keep up with work at Hamilton. As Tolles wrote in *From College Hill* in 1958, "A too broad generalization might divide successful students among three types. In the first group is the fortunate student who loves learning for its own sake. . . In the second group is the student, who while he may not love learning for its own sake so much, sees his college course as a specific aid to achievement of his life goal. . . Finally, there is the student who . . . does his best from a sense of duty."

If a student has none of these three reasons for study, no amount of good counseling or lightening of work load will help him stay in college.

Senate Discusses Possible Changes In Student Award

At its meeting on Mar. 22, the Student Senate discussed the question of whether or not to give a scholarship to an incoming freshman next year.

During recent years, the Senate, working through the Office of Admissions, has awarded a scholarship of $600 to a freshman. The money is collected by levying a one dollar tax on every student.

Dick Blessing, president of the Senate, suggested that the Senate scholarship might be awarded each year to the fraternity with the highest average.

Doug Kirkpatrick noted that the Alumni Interfraternity Council is presently discussing the role of fraternities in promoting scholastic achievement.

He suggested that the scholarship might be awarded along with the President's Cup to the house whose average makes the greatest rise in a one- year period. This, he said, might provide added incentive for a house to do better work.

Chuck Svenson noted that, if the scholarship were to accompany the President's Cup, houses with high averages would be penalized, since they would find it harder to raise their averages.

Blessing asked the members of the Senate to obtain the opinions of their houses before the next meeting. He also requested that Senate committees be prepared to submit their final reports at the next meeting.

Student Teacher Program Enrolls Six for the Year

—*by* BOB COLLEY

Hamilton is one of several colleges authorized by the New York State Department of Education to issue provisional teaching certificates to qualified education students.

To receive such a certificate, a student on the Hill must take 18 hours of required education courses, including the history of education, the philosophy of education, and tests and measurement. In addition, he must spend 80 hours engaged in practice teaching at a local public school during the second semester of his senior year.

The students participating in the program this semester are Bill Cole, Geoff Emerson, Bob Job, Bruce Koloseike, Bill Lathrop, and Chris Mazzola. Each of them spends two hours each day teaching social studies and mathematics to children in Clinton and New Hartford schools.

This program is valuable, according to Dr. J. Franklin Hunt, professor of education, since it confronts a student with problems which he would not encounter if he merely studied education from a textbook. By actual experience, a student teacher can learn how to motivate interest in children and how to solve disciplinary problems. Hunt added that through practice teaching a student's interest in the teaching profession is increased.

According to Bob Job, one of the student teachers, the public school teachers are very helpful and show an interest in any original ideas which a student teacher may have to improve or vary children's everyday work. Job works with retarded seventh grade children and finds his experience very rewarding.

Hill Chapel Board To Hold Banquet

The annual Chapel Board Banquet will be held on Thursday, Apr. 13, in the Hall of Commons. Mr. William White, an alumnus of the College, will be the guest speaker.

The main purpose of the banquet is to elect the members of the 1961-62 Chapel Board.

The banquet is also an occasion providing an opportunity for some past member of the board to speak on behalf of its achievements.

Hill Bridge Club Announces Plans For Tournaments

The American Contract Bridge League formally sanctioned Hamilton's Bridge Club this week, Mike Myers, president of the club, announced Tuesday.

The club is now qualified to award Master Points at home bridge tournaments. Master Points are used to rank each player on a national level.

Myers also announced that beginning Apr. 16, the club will hold duplicate bridge tournaments every other Sunday afternoon in the north basement lounge of Dunham Dormitory.

According to Myers, the club will extend invitations to all students, their guests, faculty members, and residents of the Utica-Rome area. The Bridge Club will charge an entry fee of one dollar per person to cover the costs of arranging the tournaments.

Myers added that an intercollegiate tournament will be held at Cornell later in the spring.

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Calendar for the Week

Sunday, Apr. 9 — 3-5 p.m. — Opening of Exhibitions: "American Watercolors and Drawings" and "Colgate University Student Exchange Exhibition."
8:30 p.m. — Informal discussion group
8:30 p.m. — Informal discussion group with Chapel speaker, the Rev. John M. Krumm.
Wednesday, Apr. 12 — 8 p.m. — Meeting of the B Sharp Musical Club of Utica.
Thursday, Apr. 13 — 5 p.m. — Meeting of Choir Executive Committee.
8 p.m. — Meeting of Newman Club.

SIGMA XI LECTURE — Dr. Lawrence McManus, instructor in biology, delivers a lecture on "The Scope and Content of Ecology." He spoke on March 16 before the local chapter of Sigma Xi, a national honorary science organization.

Critic Praises Hill Choir Finds Glee Club Disappointing

—*by* RICK LOWELL

On Sunday afternoon, Mar. 19, the gymnasium was filled with the sound of music—some of it excellent and some of it only mediocre to fair.

The Ohio State Glee Club—forty men and a girl—did not live up to its reputation. The Hamilton College Choir, on the other hand, will find it difficult to turn in a better performance than this one.

Hamilton's Choir opened the program with five motets: *Tenebrae, Crucifixus, Plorate, Filii et Filiae,* and *Alleluia, Christ Is Risen.* All five demonstrated the Choir's wonderful ability for clear, precise singing, with excellent vocal contrast.

The Glee Club's opening selection was a new arrangement of an old hymn. The arrangement was sorely lacking in anything new; it was, for the most part, in unison, as were many of the selections sung by the group.

Three of the most prominent characteristics of the Glee Club were the use of piano accompaniment, the lack of harmony in its arrangements, and the lack of vocal blending. Together, these three qualities made the Ohio State Glee Club, in contrast to its advance billing, nothing more than a typical college glee club.

The best works which the group presented were a Jewish liturgical piece, *Shivisi;* Norman Luboff's arrangement of *A'Roving, My Funny Valentine;* and Aaron Copeland's *Stomp Your Feet.* The Glee Club performed contemporary music in a popular vein better than it did older, more classical music.

Hamilton's Choir returned to sing some light music, including a German drinking song which reverberated throughout the building and two humorous selections from the charming *McCord's Menagerie.* The Buffers, with their fine mellow blend of refreshingly light harmony, sang *Liza, This Is Alice,* and *Penthouse Serenade.* The Ohio State Quartet was poor, and comparing them seems worse. Hamilton's Brass Choir also deserves much praise for an admirable performance.

The Glee Club returned for three encores, one of which, *Just One Of Those Things,* was well done.

The Hamilton College Choir was immeasurably superior to the Ohio State Glee Club, and as one student remarked, towards the end of the concert, "I don't see how anyone can outdo us."

Soph Majors

Sophomore elections of fields of concentration are due in the Recorder's Office on Monday, Apr. 10.

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Perhaps that is why this reader, at least, cannot do so. The ability to suggest — to create emotion from bare fact—is the ability that separates good prose from good high school prose.

Dick Lennox's two poems, *Beyond Nausea* and *A Sentiment* are typical of past *Continentals. A Sentiment* is the better of the two, for it is clear and has some melody to its lines. *Beyond Nausea* is not, quite. It has been expressed before—and better.

Sean Fitzpatrick, the most prolific writer on the Hill, is also one of the best. However, he is often obscure, a fault which mars much of his verse.

Annie Got Married is a dialogue with a contrast that makes it at once a little sad and a little humorous. It is a twist that makes for irony. Is it in good taste? That question has already been answered by a more interested critic than I.

Sabbath Scene is good, although such work can never do more than amuse for a brief time. Quite frankly, I just do not follow Seamus' search for beauty at all. *The Road* creates a mood but is again difficult to understand. Fitzpatrick's poetry has a distinctive rhythm and would be enjoyable to read if it were less obscure.

Nichols' Poem

At last John Nichols will not be accused of copying Hemingway. He will not be accused of prurience. There is little, in fact, in *Peace and a Soul* to criticize; unfortunately, there is little to praise either. The poem equates a chord of music with a human soul, and I am not sure that there is any more that can be said about *Peace and a Soul.*

If Mike Kaiser intended *A Ballad for Our Time* to be humorous, his choice of subject was unfortunate. On the other hand, if it was intended to be serious, the choice of meter and the use of lines such as "And to a man that Ku Klux Klan / Went home to clean their sheets" is even more unfortunate. Nevertheless, there is somthing to be said for managing to retain the ballad form, and that Kaiser has done.

Tom Roberts' *Peapack Go Bragh* is, in places, quite entertaining, and his Pealimerick is truly inspired. It is difficult to write a humorous prose piece of the sort that Roberts is attempting, for the humor does not come from a situation but from the author's saying amusing things. Roberts is often, but not always, funny; and *Peacock Go Bragh* is consequently often amusing, but at times flat and dull.

Farewell by Richard Perkins is the most metrically regular of any poem in *The Continental.* Although in places, the language of *Farewell* is exceptionally fine ("The sword of night was once the smile of day;/ The fire and ice know no identity;/ And life goes on - ahead - aside - away."), Perkins suffers from obscure and vague pronoun references, abrupt and illogical changes in train of thought, and occasional poor word choices.

Perhaps some of these errors can be attributed to an attempt to find words that will fit a particular meter, rather than correct words. This is a fairly common fault, one that not even experienced poets can always avoid. Perkins is to be commended for his *Farewell.* It is a solid effort, and its merits—the beauty of its language, the regularity of its meter—easily outweigh its defects.

I hope that no one will be offended by my criticisms. After all, the criticized author has only to consider the source of the criticism. He should remember that those who can write, do write; those who cannot . . . criticize.

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